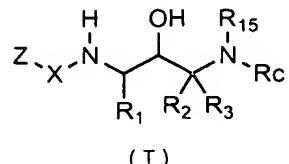


ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to compounds of formula (I):

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useful in treating Alzheimer's disease and other similar diseases. These compounds include inhibitors of the beta-secretase enzyme that are useful in the treatment of 10 Alzheimer's disease and other diseases characterized by deposition of A beta peptide in a mammal. The compounds of the invention are also useful in pharmaceutical compositions and methods of treatment to reduce A beta peptide formation.

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